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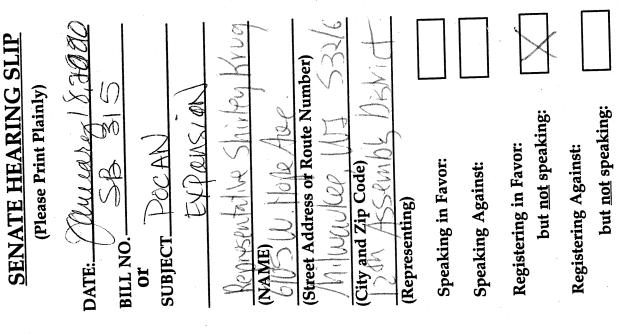
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JUDITH B. ROBSON

STATE SENATOR • WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE CHAIR, HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR, JOINT COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

January 31, 2000

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services and Aging:

Attached please find a paper ballot for Senate Bill 315. The motion is to recommend passage.

Please fill out the ballot and return it to David Austin in my office no later than noon on Wednesday, February 2, 2000.

You may also contact David if you have any questions about the bill. He can be reached at 6-2253.

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A fiscal note is attached to this ballot.

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Motion: Recommend passage.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Senate Human Services and Aging Committee

From: Tim Witkowiak, Children and the Law Section Chair

Date: January 18, 2000

Re: SB315 POCAN Legislation

The Children and the Law Section has long supported efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect. The Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (POCAN) program is an excellent program that helps achieve that goal.

SB315 would expand the POCAN program to 20 additional counties and three Native American Tribes in July of this year.

Every year the Criminal Justice system is plagued with prisoners that were abused or neglected as children. If we are ever to break the cycle of violence, we must support programs like POCAN which seek to prevent child abuse before it happens.

The Children and the Law Section feels that the state will more than recover the money spent on child abuse prevention because it will reduce the number of children who will enter the Criminal Justice. The old adage of an ounce of prevention being worth a pound of cure seems appropriate here.

More than that, however, the Children and the Law Section feels that we have an obligation to protect the best interest of all of our children. By turning a blind eye to child abuse we are condemning thousands of children to a life of abuse.

We urge the committee members to support S315.

If you would like any additional information on the Children and the Law Section's position on child abuse prevention, do not hesitate to call me, Tim Witkowiak at 414/329-9500 or Cory Mason, Government Relations Coordinator for the State Bar of Wisconsin at 1/800-444-9404 x6128, email at 'cmason@wisbar.org'





122 W. Washington Avenue, Madison, WI 53703 Phone: 608-257-2622 • Fax: 608-257-8386

To:

Chairperson Judy Robson

Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services and Aging

From:

Annette M. Talis, Legislative Services Coordinator

Re:

SB 315—Relating to the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect

Date:

January 17, 2000

I regret that neither I nor members of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards will be able to attend your committee hearing on Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2000 to personally testify in favor of Senate Bill 315. The hearing date conflicts with our State Education Convention in Milwaukee.

The WASB supports SB 315 because our membership recognizes that the academic performance of all children relates to many factors that influence youngsters both inside and outside public school buildings.

Moreover, sociological disadvantages have been correlated with low scores on measurements of student learning.

SB 315 would provide funds for the prevention of child abuse and neglect, which is one sociological factor than can, in part, lead to low test scores.

This bill will help Wisconsin's public schools promote high academic achievement for all children.



To: Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services and Aging

From: NASW Wisconsin Chapter, Legislative and Social Policy Committee

Date: January 18, 2000

Subject: SB 315, Expansion of POCAN

The National Association of Social Workers, Wisconsin chapter supports the passage of SB 315, the expansion of the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (POCAN) Program. This legislation would go a long way in supporting families and ensuring better outcomes for children in Wisconsin.

It is important to understand that most maltreated children grow up to lead normal adult lives, and they don't grow up to abuse their own children or others. However, studies show abused and neglected children are all at greater risk for mental health problems, suicide attempts, alcohol abuse, drug use, and poor school performance. Perhaps most disturbing: physically abused and neglected children are significantly more likely than children with no histories of maltreatment to commit violent crimes as juveniles and adults. Pronounced differences between abused and neglected children and their nonabused counterparts can begin to emerge as early as age 8 or 9.

Jason DeParle's New York Times article, "Early Sex Abuse Hinders Many Women on Welfare" offers substantial evidence of the long-term effects of sexual abuse as a significant barrier to women on moving from welfare to the workplace. Welfare surpluses, therefore, should be available to fund child abuse prevention programs. SB 315 allows for the state to use some available welfare dollars to fight child abuse, by helping parents manage the stresses of raising children before unhealthy patterns develop.

Research on home visitation indicates that families who are provided parental guidance and links to health services essential to healthy growth and development of their children are less likely to perpetuate abuse and neglect. Studies of intensive home visitation efforts also show that participants are more likely to: become more rational health care consumers, immunize their children, smoke less, have higher employment rates, and show greater involvement in their children's education and complete their own education.

In 1998, after careful consideration in a Joint Legislative Council Committee, Wisconsin legislators passed the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Bill, or commonly referred to as the POCAN bill. The first phase of POCAN began December 1998 with grants to nine counties and an Indian tribe to support the home visitation program and wraparound services for families at risk of abuse and neglect. Applications for grants were filed by 31 counties, far more than could be accommodated. The Legislative Council Committee supported extending the program to an additional 20 counties and three Indian tribes in the 1999-2001 budget. SB 315, which provides \$2.1 million in TANF funds to expand POCAN, provides us with an opportunity to fulfill the Committee's intention.

The people of Wisconsin clearly recognize the need to protect children, and are willing to support prevention programs. According to a statewide poll by We the People/Wisconsin, Wisconsin citizens see child abuse as an epidemic hidden from public view. Asked how the state might spend some of its tobacco settlement money over the next two years, 348 randomly selected adults named preventing child abuse as their top choice. We know that home visiting programs work, and the passage of this bill will demonstrate your commitment to keeping children safe and supporting Wisconsin's families.

For more information, please feel free to call Leslie McAllister, Co-Chair, NASW WI Legislative/Social Policy Committee at 608-256-3374 or Marc Herstand, Executive Director, NASW WI, at 608-257-6334.

State Medical Society of Wisconsin



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TO:

Senator Judy Robson, Chair

Members, Senate Human Services and

Aging Committee

FROM:

Kathy Andersen, Associate Director

Government Relations

DATE:

January 18, 2000

RE:

Support for SB 315

On behalf of Wisconsin physicians, I urge your support for Senate Bill 315, which would provide funding to expand the Child Abuse and Prevention grant program. The cost of abuse and neglect to our society is astronomical. Research has shown that abused children add to the already overburdened criminal justice and social services systems. Abused and neglected children receive welfare services, juvenile justice placements, sexual and substance abuse treatment, and teen pregnancy services.

From Ashland to Madison, home visitation prevention services have shown encouraging results in preventing abuse and neglect-related poor outcomes in children. Research has shown that these prevention programs, like most prevention programs, pay for themselves by enabling children to become responsible, productive members of our society.

On behalf of the members of the State Medical Society of Wisconsin, and the patients they serve, I request your support for SB 315.

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SENATE HUMAN SERVICES AND AGINGCOMMITTEE TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2000 WRITTEN TESTIMONY -- SUPPORT SB 315 BY BOB BURKE, WEAC LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Wisconsin Education Association Council and the Wisconsin Federation of Teachers are committed to the belief that the children of Wisconsin are our most precious resource for the future. With that standard in mind, WEAC and the WFT joined more than 60 organizations in Wisconsin to support the recommendations made by the bi-partisan Legislative Council Study Committee on Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (POCAN). 1999 SB 315 calls for the phase two expansion of POCAN to an additional 20 counties and three Native American tribes.

The POCAN grants represent improvements in comprehensive child abuse and neglect prevention grants, home visitor programs, and flexible funds for early prevention "wraparound" family services. The program is already working in nine counties and one Native American tribe assisting many children at their most vulnerable stages of life.

The Wisconsin Education Association Council and the Wisconsin Federation of Teachers support the adoption of policies that help to nurture and educate youth so that our state's children receive every opportunity to become successful citizens and urge passage of 1999 SB 315.

